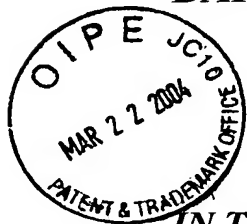


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Sir:

In response to the February 19, 2004 Official Action, Applicants request consideration of the following remarks. Applicants believe that no fees are required with this response. If any fees are required, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge the same to the account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter 7475-69889.